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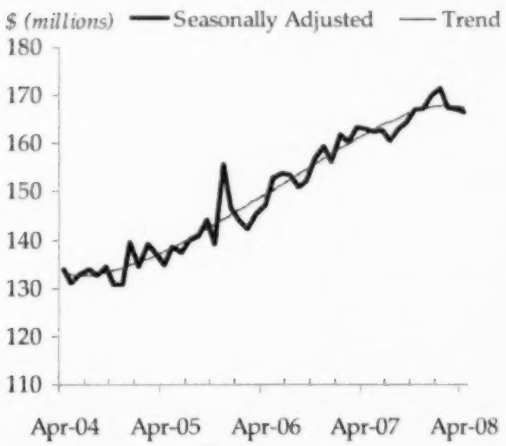
Room Revenue

Room revenues in the province have declined steadily since February and dropped again (-0.2%) in April. This was mainly due to weakness in both Vancouver Island/Coast (-2.5%) and Mainland/ Southwest (-1.3%), which comprise more than two-thirds of total BC accommodation revenues. Revenues in Kootenay (-4.6%) were down for the fourth time since December, and Cariboo's (-0.4%) marginal decline marked a continuation of a downward trend that began in January. Despite this negative provincial trend, Northeast posted a strong increase (+19.5%), with most of the hotels in the region performing well. Thompson-Okanagan (+3.1%), North Coast (+1.3%) and Nechako (+0.8%) also saw revenues grow.

Room revenues drop again in April



Hotels recorded a 1.0% decrease in April, wiping out gains made in the previous month. The most notable revenue decline was in very large (251+ rooms; -4.8%) hotels. In contrast to this, large (151-250 rooms; +3.2%) hotel revenues increased, rebounding after a two-month-long downturn. Motels (-2.7%) recorded a fourth consecutive drop in monthly revenue, while revenues at other types of accommodations slowed (-5.0%).

Table 1: Room Revenue
(seasonally adjusted)

	Apr-08 ($000)	Mar-08 ($000)	change %
Accommodation Type			
Total	166,743	167,138	-0.2
Hotels	124,534	125,854	-1.0
Motels	19,291	19,819	-2.7
Other Accommodations	21,380	22,517	-5.0
Regions (Top 3 performers)			
Northeast	6,618	5,536	+19.5
Thompson-Okanagan	26,178	25,389	+3.1
North Coast	2,506	2,472	+1.3

Visitor Entries

Visitor entries into Canada via BC continued to fall (-0.1%) in April. American entries also followed suit (-0.7%), mainly due to a drop (-2.9%) in the number of overnight travellers.

European entries showed a slight improvement (+0.7%) while entries from Asia (-5.0%) were dragged down by a decline in the number of visits from Japan (-6.3%) and South Korea (-5.4%). A large (+21.1%) rebound in visits from other countries (including Africa, Australia and

New Zealand) boosted total overseas entries, which rose 2.0%. Entries from Australia (+10.0%) and Mexico (+12.5%) were up significantly.

Visitor entries continued to fall in April as US entries remained on a downward path

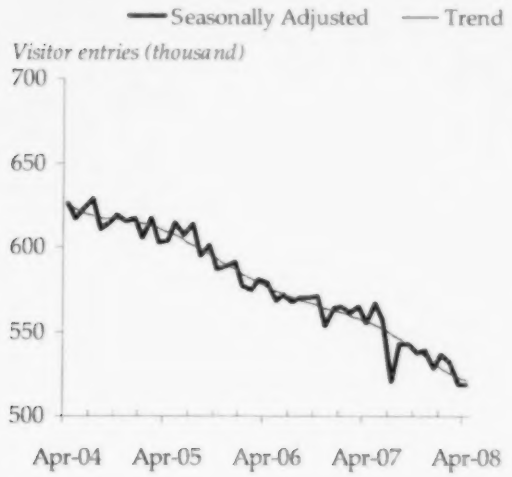


Table 2: Traveller Entries
(seasonally adjusted)

	Apr-08 (000s)	Mar-08 (000s)	change %
American visitors			
Total	393	396	-0.7
Same-day	135	130	+3.9
Overnight	258	266	-2.9
Overseas visitors			
Total	125	123	+2.0
Europe	44	43	+0.7
UK	21	21	+1.6
Asia	53	56	-5.0
Japan	13	14	-6.3
South Korea	10	10	-5.4
Other	28	23	+21.1

Source: BC Stats & Statistics Canada

Other Indicators

The provincial hotel occupancy rate dropped 0.8 percentage points to 65.3% in April. This reduction was reflected in the slightly lower (-0.1%) average daily room rate ($134.80).

Airport passenger traffic through Vancouver was down (-0.6%) slightly while numbers in Victoria advanced (+3.6%) to around 129,000 passengers. Traffic on the Coquihalla Highway slipped (-1.7%) marginally, together with vehicle (-0.6%) and passenger (-0.8%) volumes on BC Ferries.

Table 3: Other Tourism Indicators
(seasonally adjusted)

	Apr-08	change from Mar-08
Hotel Industry		
Occupancy Rate (%)	65.3	-0.8 pp.
Average Room Charge ($)	134.80	-0.1
Source: Pannell Kerr Forster		
Airport Passengers	(000s)	(%)
Vancouver International Airport		
Total Traffic	1,549	-0.6
US (trans-border)	375	-1.9
Other International	367	-2.0
Canada (domestic)	807	+0.8
Source: YVR		
Victoria International Airport		
Total Traffic	129	+3.6
Source: Victoria Airport Authority		
Food Services Receipts	($ millions)	(%)
All Establishments	654	+2.2
Food Service	610	+3.0
Drinking Places	44	-2.8
Source: Statistics Canada		
Transportation	(000s)	(%)
Coquihalla Highway		
Passenger Vehicles	214	-1.7
Source: Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure		
BC Ferries		
Vehicle Volume	702	-0.6
Passenger Volume	1,776	-0.8
Source: BC Ferries		
Exchange Rates	Cdn $	
US Dollar ($)	0.986	-0.01
UK Pound (£)	0.498	0.00
Japanese Yen (¥)	101.266	+0.68
Australian Dollar ($)	1.060	-0.02
Source: Statistics Canada		

Note: pp. = percentage points

Revenue in the food services industry rose (+2.2%) as strong growth (+3.0%) at food service establishments was offset by a drop (-2.8%) in sales at drinking places.

A look ahead—May 2008

Early returns indicate that room revenues continued on a downward path (-0.3%) for the fourth straight month in May as revenues in Mainland/Southwest (-0.5%), which accounts for over half the provincial total, slipped again. The remaining regions had mixed results. Kootenay (+8.7%) showed the greatest growth, while Vancouver Island/Coast (+0.8%) and North Coast (+0.5%) realised marginal revenue increases. Also, Northeast (-8.4%), Nechako (-4.7%), Cariboo (-2.8%) and Thompson-Okanagan (-0.8%) recorded a decline in revenues.

Preliminary estimates show (-0.6%) hotel revenue was down slightly in May, as revenues at very large (251+ rooms; -1.6%) and large (151-250 rooms; -1.1%) hotels fell while mid-size (76-151 rooms; +0.3%) and small (1-75 rooms; +0.8%) hotels posted gains. Motel revenues (-0.5%) also slipped, falling for a fifth consecutive month. Business picked up at vacation rentals (+6.4%) and other accommodations (+13.2%).

Traveller entries into Canada through BC rose (+0.7%) slightly in May after a three month decline. Same-day visits from the US (-4.3%) fell, which brought down the total US entries (-0.4%). Overnight trips softened this decline by realising an increase (+1.7%). There were more visitors from overseas (+3.9%), with Asia posting a double-digit increase (+12.2%). However, there were fewer visitors coming from Europe (-0.1%) and other countries (-5.6%).

May saw air passenger traffic through both Victoria (-0.5%) and Vancouver international airport (-0.5%) being slightly lower. However, both passenger (+1.4%) and vehicle (+1.6%) volume aboard BC Ferries improved. Finally, the Coquihalla Highway showed an increase (+2.2%) in the number of vehicles passing through toll booths.

Note about preliminary numbers

Companies file their hotel room taxes with varying delays. The initial data retrieved by BC Stats may be revised considerably over the following months. BC Stats reports room revenues with a three-month lag. For example, data for January are not reported until April. However, we also report "preliminary data" with a two-month lag.

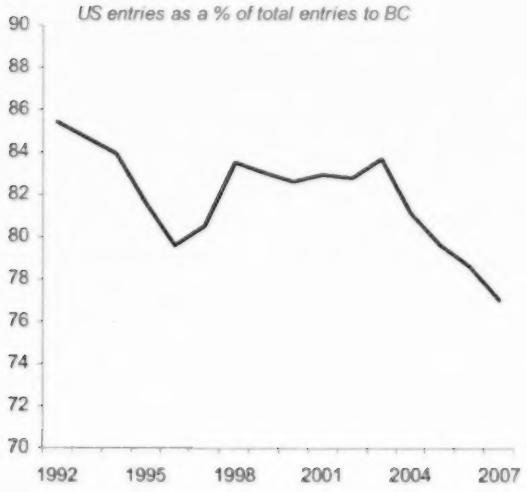
How accurate is the preliminary data? Over 21 reports in 2006 and 2007, BC room revenues changed (rose or fell on a month-over-month basis) on average by 2.4% (absolute value). The preliminary numbers—reported in the "look ahead" section—were lower by an average of 0.2 percentage points partly because the initial data retrieved at the time the estimates are calculated is not always complete. For example, if the preliminary figure is 1.5, the actual number probably is around 1.7. And if the preliminary figure is -0.5, the actual number is about -0.3.

Special Focus: Crossing the border: how Americans travel to British Columbia

Americans made more than five million visits to the province in 2007

Last year, 6.6 million non-resident visitors entered Canada through British Columbia. Of this total, 1.5 million (23%) came from overseas[1], primarily Asia (699,000) and Europe (519,000). While the US share of total entries is declining (it was about 85% in the early 1990s), the US is by far the biggest tourism market for BC, with 5.1 million entries (77%) in 2007.

Eight out of ten international visitors to BC come from the US



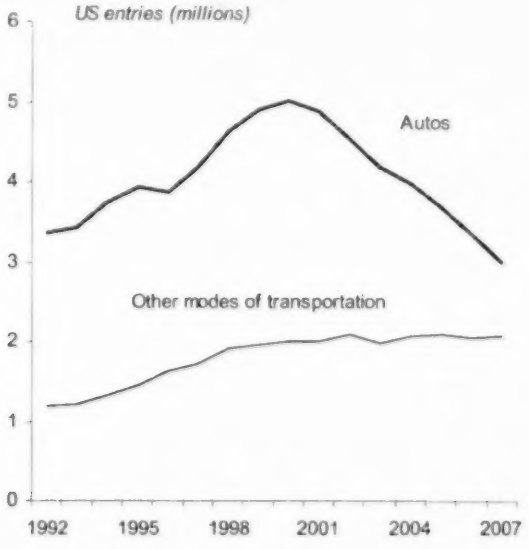
Data Source: Statistics Canada

How do Americans travel to BC?

Virtually all of the visitors who come to BC from overseas travel here by plane, but US residents who visit the province have many different options: they can drive, fly, travel by boat, train, motorcycle, snowmobile, or even cross the border on foot.

Not surprisingly, given the relatively easy land access to the province, most Americans who visit BC come here by car. Nearly three of the five million US visits to BC last year involved car trips. However, automobile entries have declined quite significantly since 2000, when they peaked at just over five million (and total entries from the US reached seven million).

Most Americans drive across the border into BC...



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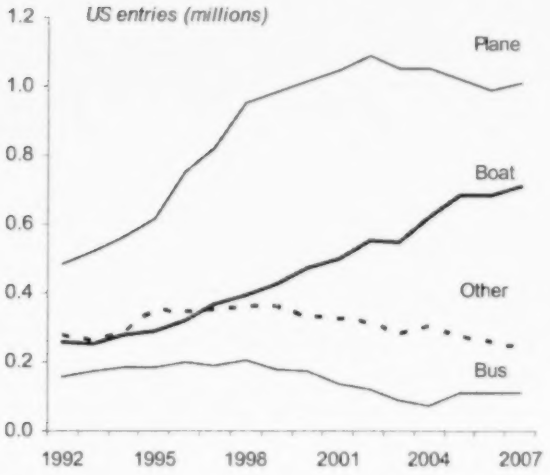
[1] This includes Asia, Europe, Oceania (Australia, New Zealand and the Ocean Islands), Africa, and North & South America (except for the US).
The data in this article comes from Statistics Canada's *International Travel Survey*, and is based on information from customs documents filled out by the Canadian Border Services Agency.

...but other types of transportation are becoming increasingly important



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US travellers who do not drive over the border come to Canada by plane (20%), boat (14%), bus (2%) or by other means (5%). The number of Americans who fly into BC has increased significantly since the early 1990s, with more than a million passengers from the US arriving by plane in 2007. Vancouver International Airport, the main point of entry for travellers flying into BC, has seen the number of passengers travelling on transborder flights (into and out of Vancouver) nearly double since 1992[2].

Boat traffic has increased significantly

Just over 708,000 Americans entered BC by boat in 2007, more than two-and-a-half times as many as in 1992. Americans can travel to BC on the Washington State ferry system, which carries passengers from Port Angeles and Anacortes to downtown Victoria and Sidney. As well, a private company operates a catamaran service between Seattle and Victoria.

Finally, private boat traffic between US and Canadian ports brought just under 6,000 US visitors to BC in 2007. Cruise ships that sail between Alaska and the west coast of the United States also make stops at one or more BC ports, since foreign-registered ships going between two US ports are required by American law to stop at a non-US port en route.

Cruise ship traffic has expanded significantly during the last decade and a half, and this is probably the main reason for much of the recent increase in US entries by boat. Vancouver has traditionally been the primary port visited by cruise ships, but a growing number of vessels are stopping at other ports as well. Last year, nearly a million (961,000) cruise ship passengers embarked or disembarked in Vancouver, while Victoria hosted 344,000 visitors and Prince Rupert had 100,000 visitors from cruise ships. While cruise ships carry passengers from many different countries, including Canada, many of them are American, and those who disembark in BC would be counted in the entries.

A growing number of cruise ship passengers are embarking or disembarking at BC ports

Data Source: Port Authority and Cruise BC websites

[2] This includes Canadians, Americans and residents of other countries travelling between the US and Canada.

Where do American motorists enter BC?

There are twenty different customs ports through which American motorists can enter the country. Of the eight regions in the province, five share borders, or have direct access to the US: Vancouver Island/Coast (via car ferry services), Mainland-Southwest, Thompson/Okanagan, Kootenay, and North Coast, which borders with Alaska.

Eighty percent of the auto traffic into BC enters via one of five border crossings in the Mainland/Southwest region. These include the crossing points at Aldergrove, Douglas, Huntingdon, and the Pacific Highway, as well as Boundary Bay, which connects Point Roberts, USA to the BC mainland.

Last year, 1.5 million cars (carrying an average of just under two people per vehicle) crossed into Canada from the US. Of this total, 1.2 million entered the country through border crossings in Mainland/Southwest. More than half of them (782,000) used the Douglas and Pacific Highway crossings, near the Peace Arch at White Rock.

Kootenay has more points of entry for road traffic than any other region[3], and welcomed 160,500 US automobiles in 2007. Another 67,000 vehicles drove across the border into Thompson/Okanagan, which has two ports of entry (Osoyoos and Chopaka). Canadian customs facilities at ferry terminals in Vancouver Island/Coast (at Sidney and downtown Victoria) handled 53,400 American cars in 2007, while the North Coast ports of Prince Rupert and Stewart processed 19,900 during the year. The regional distribution of traffic from the US into BC has remained relatively stable during the last two decades.

BC road border crossings second-busiest in the country

BC customs ports handle more automobile traffic from the US than any other province except Ontario, which was the point of entry for 65% of the US cars that were driven into Canada in 2007. Customs ports in BC (16%) handled the second-highest number of vehicles, while Quebec ports (8%) were the third busiest in the country, followed closely by border crossings in New Brunswick (just under 8%).

Automobile traffic declining, but not as much as in the rest of Canada

Most of the decline in US visitor entries since the turn of the century can be explained by the fact that fewer visitors from the States are driving to Canada. The number of automobile entries from the US is currently at its lowest point since the mid-1980s. Entries from the US had increased significantly after Expo '86 was held in Vancouver, but have fallen back to pre-1986 levels. Same-day car traffic has been halved since 2000, and the number of Americans making overnight car trips north of the border is down to 77% of the 2000 level.

Although automobile traffic into BC from the US has dropped steeply since the turn of the century, the downturn has not been as extreme as in other parts of the country. As a result, BC's share of total automobile traffic from the US has continued to rise.

[3] There are nine ports of entry into Kootenay including Carson, Cascade, Kingsgate, Midway, Nelway, Paterson, Roosville, Rykerts and Waneta.

BC's share of automobile trips from the US to Canada continues to rise

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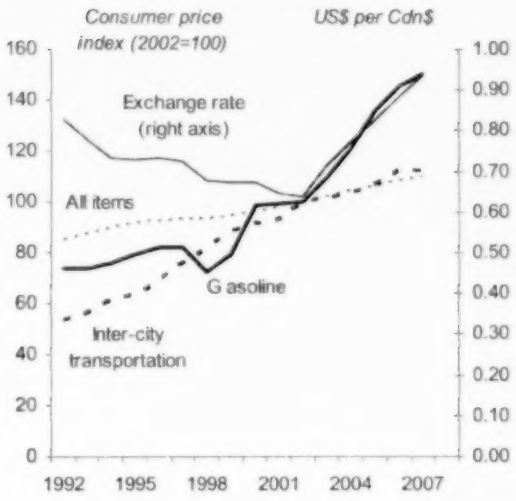
Gasoline and inter-city transportation costs are climbing



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Longer wait times at the border in the wake of 9/11, the rising cost of gasoline, and a weaker US dollar that makes travel to Canada less of a bargain are all factors that may have contributed to the drop in travel from the US, as well as the change in the mode of travel used by Americans visiting BC. The cost of intercity transportation in British Columbia (air, train, bus and boat) has risen far less than gasoline prices during the last ten years, and this may have played a role in travel decisions made by Americans visiting the province.

In the current climate of a slowing US economy, high fuel prices and security concerns, it is not clear whether the province will be able to woo back visitors from the US in numbers similar to those seen prior to the turn of the century. Despite the downturn in US entries, BC has fared better than the rest of Canada and is continuing to attract a growing share of American motorists who choose to cross the border into Canada.

Table 1: Room Revenue by Development Region ($000), Seasonally Adjusted

Period	Vancouver Island/Coast	Mainland Southwest	Thompson Okanagan	Kootenay	Cariboo	North Coast	Nechako	Northeast	BC Total
				Annual data					
2003	273,067	809,809	214,550	70,671	43,018	19,362	8,930	46,264	1,485,670
2004	295,246	863,430	231,041	75,467	46,201	20,104	8,811	50,656	1,590,956
2005	310,195	902,633	251,869	77,314	52,172	20,773	10,152	63,236	1,688,343
2006	324,624	970,884	273,102	85,171	56,610	21,928	10,478	72,514	1,815,312
2007	351,536	1,043,209	306,729	97,163	61,109	28,301	12,406	67,468	1,967,921
				Annual growth rates					
2003	1.6	-4.8	3.7	0.6	-3.4	1.8	1.0	22.0	-1.4
2004	8.1	6.6	7.7	6.8	7.4	3.8	-1.3	9.5	7.1
2005	5.1	4.5	9.0	2.4	12.9	3.3	15.2	24.8	6.1
2006	4.7	7.6	8.4	10.2	8.5	5.6	3.2	14.7	7.5
2007	8.3	7.4	12.3	14.1	7.9	29.1	18.4	-7.0	8.4
				Monthly data					
Apr-07	29,673	87,421	25,062	7,680	4,706	2,345	996	5,464	163,347
May-07	29,468	85,581	25,305	7,851	5,119	2,318	1,160	5,736	162,538
Jun-07	29,329	85,258	25,844	8,250	4,934	2,466	990	5,969	163,040
Jul-07	29,762	83,231	25,354	8,065	4,852	2,437	1,037	5,910	160,648
Aug-07	28,620	86,354	25,547	8,175	5,016	2,505	1,068	6,010	163,296
Sep-07	29,682	87,359	25,243	8,086	4,955	2,437	1,066	5,635	164,465
Oct-07	29,389	89,614	25,295	8,353	5,379	2,458	1,071	5,643	167,204
Nov-07	29,504	88,059	26,194	8,993	5,554	2,415	1,092	5,506	167,318
Dec-07	28,976	92,065	25,823	8,389	5,627	2,461	1,029	5,718	170,086
Jan-08	29,890	93,329	26,294	7,960	5,469	2,486	948	5,101	171,477
Feb-08	28,216	91,486	25,254	8,316	5,381	2,542	930	5,319	167,444
Mar-08	28,695	90,950	25,389	7,864	5,261	2,472	969	5,536	167,138
Apr-08	27,977	89,747	26,178	7,501	5,238	2,506	977	6,618	166,743
				Month-over-month growth rates					
Apr-07	1.4	0.9	-2.9	-3.0	-6.6	-0.1	-1.6	-0.3	-0.1
May-07	-0.7	-2.1	1.0	2.2	8.8	-1.2	16.5	5.0	-0.5
Jun-07	-0.5	-0.4	2.1	5.1	-3.6	6.4	-14.7	4.1	0.3
Jul-07	1.5	-2.4	-1.9	-2.2	-1.7	-1.2	4.8	-1.0	-1.5
Aug-07	-3.8	3.8	0.8	1.4	3.4	2.8	3.0	1.7	1.6
Sep-07	3.7	1.2	-1.2	-1.1	-1.2	-2.7	-0.1	-6.2	0.7
Oct-07	-1.0	2.6	0.2	3.3	8.6	0.9	0.4	0.1	1.7
Nov-07	0.4	-1.7	3.6	7.7	3.3	-1.7	2.0	-2.4	0.1
Dec-07	-1.8	4.5	-1.4	-6.7	1.3	1.9	-5.8	3.8	1.7
Jan-08	3.2	1.4	1.8	-5.1	-2.8	1.0	-7.9	-10.8	0.8
Feb-08	-5.6	-2.0	-4.0	4.5	-1.6	2.2	-1.8	4.3	-2.4
Mar-08	1.7	-0.6	0.5	-5.4	-2.2	-2.7	4.2	4.1	-0.2
Apr-08	-2.5	-1.3	3.1	-4.6	-0.4	1.3	0.8	19.5	-0.2

April month-over-month percent growth

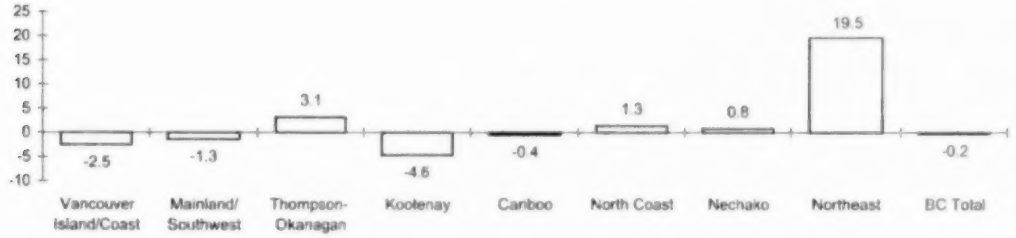

Table 2: Room Revenue by Accommodation Type ($000), Seasonally Adjusted

Period	Hotels (Rooms)				Motels	Vacation Rentals	Miscellaneous incl. Fishing Lodges
	251+	151-250	76-150	1-75			
				Annual data			
2003	437,158	180,831	297,417	174,343	181,554	119,345	95,022
2004	467,820	198,608	321,679	185,804	195,070	123,473	98,502
2005	481,581	211,406	346,528	203,166	210,861	134,245	100,555
2006	506,995	230,059	379,442	221,126	234,346	135,407	107,938
2007	535,478	251,128	425,146	238,654	244,151	149,385	123,979
				Annual growth rates			
2003	-6.1	-4.0	0.1	0.0	-0.2	6.3	9.4
2004	7.0	9.8	8.2	6.6	7.4	3.5	3.7
2005	2.9	6.4	7.7	9.3	8.1	8.7	2.1
2006	5.3	8.8	9.5	8.8	11.1	0.9	7.3
2007	5.6	9.2	12.0	7.9	4.2	10.3	14.9
				Monthly data			
Apr-07	45,106	20,832	34,664	19,808	20,590	13,092	10,192
May-07	43,081	21,309	35,405	20,653	20,196	12,167	10,106
Jun-07	43,654	20,848	35,313	20,288	20,294	13,765	10,216
Jul-07	42,063	20,606	35,460	20,150	19,430	12,539	10,376
Aug-07	43,108	20,358	35,877	20,023	19,686	12,655	10,422
Sep-07	45,176	20,937	36,137	20,122	19,635	12,461	10,254
Oct-07	46,097	22,202	36,575	20,211	20,066	12,314	10,309
Nov-07	45,456	21,017	36,681	19,900	20,354	12,043	10,902
Dec-07	48,790	20,647	36,817	19,877	20,776	12,728	10,874
Jan-08	49,005	21,104	36,771	19,895	20,431	12,655	10,424
Feb-08	47,845	20,970	36,695	19,486	19,841	11,965	10,573
Mar-08	48,299	20,685	36,974	19,896	19,819	11,759	10,758
Apr-08	45,978	21,347	37,402	19,807	19,291	11,422	9,959
				Month-over-month growth rates			
Apr-07	2.1	-1.7	0.6	2.6	1.3	2.7	-2.4
May-07	-4.5	2.3	2.1	4.3	-1.9	-7.1	-0.8
Jun-07	1.3	-2.2	-0.3	-1.8	0.5	13.1	1.1
Jul-07	-3.6	-1.2	0.4	-0.7	-4.3	-8.9	1.6
Aug-07	2.5	-1.2	1.2	-0.6	1.3	0.9	0.4
Sep-07	4.8	2.8	0.7	0.5	-0.3	-1.5	-1.6
Oct-07	2.0	6.0	1.2	0.4	2.2	-1.2	0.5
Nov-07	-1.4	-5.3	0.3	-1.5	1.4	-2.2	5.8
Dec-07	7.3	-1.8	0.4	-0.1	2.1	5.7	-0.3
Jan-08	0.4	2.2	-0.1	0.1	-1.7	-0.6	-4.1
Feb-08	-2.4	-0.6	-0.2	-2.1	-2.9	-5.4	1.4
Mar-08	0.9	-1.4	0.8	2.1	-0.1	-1.7	1.7
Apr-08	-4.8	3.2	1.2	-0.4	-2.7	-2.9	-7.4

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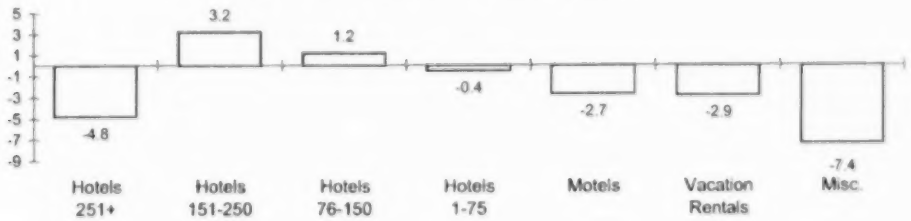

Table 3: Room Revenue by Regional District, Unadjusted

Development Region/ Regional District	Revenue ($000)		% change from		Properties (#)	# chg from	Rooms (#)	# chg from
	Apr-08	YTD 08	Apr-07	YTD 07	Apr-08	Apr-07	Apr-08	Apr-07
Vancouver Island/Coast								
17 Capital								
Total - All accommodation types	**13,220**	**40,045**	**-5.6**	**-3.8**	**155**	**-3**	**8,081**	**-93**
Total - Hotels	10,930	33,247	-5.5	-4.3	65	0	5,501	2
76+ Rooms	8,427	25,291	-6.7	-6.4	26	0	3,927	0
1-75 Rooms	2,503	7,956	-1.5	3.0	39	0	1,574	2
Motels	1,226	3,788	-5.9	-2.6	22	-3	950	-117
Vacation Rentals	315	892	-6.1	8.0	29	1	328	4
Miscellaneous	701	1,999	-6.0	-3.7	37	-1	1,238	-11
19 Cowichan Valley								
Total - All accommodation types	**700**	**2,415**	**0.2**	**2.8**	**32**	**-3**	**604**	**-29**
Motels	146	510	2.1	-4.5	13	-2	254	-25
21 Nanaimo								
Total - All accommodation types	**3,071**	**10,863**	**-1.8**	**3.0**	**64**	**2**	**2,676**	**275**
Total - Hotels	1,733	6,214	2.9	1.3	19	1	1,244	149
1-75 Rooms	838	2,991	1.9	3.6	13	0	550	0
Motels	557	2,027	-5.7	0.7	22	0	627	0
Vacation Rentals	728	2,281	-3.5	11.9	20	2	721	157
23 Alberni-Clayoquot								
Total - All accommodation types	**2,522**	**8,938**	**-13.7**	**-2.0**	**60**	**0**	**1,442**	**44**
Motels	228	837	-3.3	12.3	20	1	386	5
Vacation Rentals	897	3,484	-27.7	-8.3	15	0	354	0
Miscellaneous	568	1,841	-15.8	-10.3	13	0	246	45
25 Comox-Strathcona								
Total - All accommodation types	**2,215**	**9,013**	**-15.5**	**-2.7**	**66**	**3**	**1,788**	**54**
Total - Hotels	785	3,712	-29.4	-5.6	12	2	539	14
Motels	614	2,371	0.8	-2.8	21	0	585	-18
Vacation Rentals	168	1,022	-4.2	4.0	21	1	308	29
27 Powell River								
Total - All accommodation types	**342**	**1,126**	**41.4**	**9.1**	**19**	**0**	**397**	**0**
Total - Hotels	234	772	32.6	6.4	10	0	289	0
43 Mount Waddington								
Total - All accommodation types	**322**	**1,372**	**16.4**	**10.9**	**16**	**0**	**571**	**9**
Mainland/Southwest								
09 Fraser Valley								
Total - All accommodation types	**3,153**	**13,723**	**-0.5**	**11.7**	**66**	**-3**	**2,379**	**-72**
Total - Hotels	2,332	9,890	-1.2	11.8	16	-2	1,315	-47
Motels	644	2,443	-4.1	10.9	34	-1	883	-27
15 Greater Vancouver								
Total - All accommodation types	**58,309**	**210,362**	**12.3**	**8.7**	**219**	**-5**	**25,359**	**-326**
Total - Hotels	55,929	198,937	13.0	8.9	153	-4	22,553	-233
251+ Rooms	29,066	100,707	15.1	7.7	22	0	8,940	0
151-250 Rooms	11,364	41,919	12.5	11.1	26	0	5,061	0
151+ Rooms	40,431	142,626	14.4	8.7	48	0	14,001	0
76-150 Rooms	11,689	42,401	11.7	10.9	54	0	5,824	0
76+ Rooms	52,119	185,027	13.8	9.2	102	0	19,825	0
1-75 Rooms	3,810	13,910	3.8	5.8	51	-4	2,728	-233
Motels	1,468	5,356	3.8	7.0	31	-2	1,419	-69
Vacation Rentals	544	4,668	-30.5	-4.2	17	2	485	-16
29 Sunshine Coast								
Total - All accommodation types	**337**	**1,252**	**-11.5**	**-11.3**	**17**	**0**	**344**	**0**
31 Squamish-Lillooet								
Total - All accommodation types	**12,677**	**110,143**	**-26.1**	**1.4**	**85**	**-7**	**5,755**	**-1,573**
Total - Hotels	10,972	90,136	-22.6	1.9	36	-6	4,475	-1,149
76+ Rooms	10,216	84,815	-23.0	2.3	21	-6	3,972	-1,038
1-75 Rooms	756	5,320	-18.3	-4.0	15	-2	503	-111
Vacation Rentals	1,182	16,255	-49.3	-2.7	25	-3	833	-389
Miscellaneous	342	3,130	-20.0	6.0	14	3	205	-45

Table 3: Room Revenue by Regional District, Unadjusted

Development Region/ Regional District	Revenue ($000)		% change from		Properties (#)	# chg from	Rooms (#)	# chg from
	Apr-08	YTD 08	Apr-07	YTD 07	Apr-08	Apr-07	Apr-08	Apr-07
Thompson/Okanagan								
07 Okanagan-Similkameen								
Total - All accommodation types	**2,447**	**7,877**	**-4.1**	**2.7**	**92**	**-1**	**2,872**	**52**
Total - Hotels	1,349	4,250	2.7	4.5	14	-1	1,039	-47
Motels	843	2,407	-12.4	2.1	60	0	1,479	-2
33 Thompson-Nicola								
Total - All accommodation types	**4,740**	**21,334**	**1.3**	**-2.1**	**123**	**-12**	**5,072**	**-120**
Total - Hotels	2,690	10,606	6.4	5.9	32	-4	2,095	-185
76+ Rooms	2,420	9,424	12.0	9.8	13	0	1,475	-3
1-75 Rooms	270	1,183	-26.5	-17.6	19	-4	620	-182
Motels	1,733	5,541	-0.2	7.1	71	-4	2,120	-79
Miscellaneous	171	815	-26.6	-39.1	10	-1	504	237
35 Central Okanagan								
Total - All accommodation types	**5,696**	**24,712**	**3.9**	**2.8**	**52**	**-7**	**3,719**	**-277**
Total - Hotels	4,130	15,335	2.3	2.6	20	-1	1,941	29
Motels	810	2,478	-10.9	-1.9	17	-1	812	-54
Vacation Rentals	463	5,987	39.0	2.7	12	-3	656	-70
37 North Okanagan								
Total - All accommodation types	**1,261**	**8,959**	**-13.3**	**2.6**	**39**	**-4**	**1,581**	**-202**
Total - Hotels	781	4,294	-3.6	8.4	14	-1	894	-39
Motels	426	1,544	-25.3	-10.1	17	-1	544	-42
39 Columbia-Shuswap								
Total - All accommodation types	**2,552**	**14,655**	**-1.1**	**5.7**	**84**	**-3**	**2,890**	**-169**
Total - Hotels	955	4,941	-11.2	-4.7	18	-2	970	-164
Motels	1,087	5,070	-1.9	16.5	42	1	1,526	36
Miscellaneous	450	4,144	33.9	4.9	19	-2	330	-45
Kootenay								
01 East Kootenay								
Total - All accommodation types	**2,800**	**21,638**	**-17.4**	**-0.2**	**102**	**-10**	**4,424**	**-182**
Total - Hotels	1,301	8,298	-3.6	13.2	32	-1	1,907	-17
76+ Rooms	965	6,095	3.4	15.9	12	0	1,179	0
1-75 Rooms	336	2,203	-19.4	6.3	20	-1	728	-17
Motels	642	2,514	-1.1	-0.1	38	-2	905	-40
Miscellaneous	511	4,262	-33.8	-9.8	19	-4	690	-31
03 Central Kootenay								
Total - All accommodation types	**1,749**	**6,184**	**13.0**	**5.5**	**66**	**-4**	**1,530**	**-56**
Total - Hotels	978	3,270	4.2	1.2	17	0	750	-1
Motels	382	1,216	8.4	-0.7	26	0	500	0
Miscellaneous	264	1,183	162.8	27.2	11	-3	176	-47
05 Kootenay Boundary								
Total - All accommodation types	**580**	**2,730**	**33.6**	**12.8**	**30**	**1**	**656**	**7**
Motels	253	911	3.9	6.8	21	0	409	3
Cariboo								
41 Cariboo								
Total - All accommodation types	**1,249**	**4,626**	**-8.5**	**6.7**	**56**	**-1**	**1,695**	**29**
Total - Hotels	393	1,461	-7.4	8.0	10	0	520	55
Motels	771	2,754	-7.7	8.9	31	-3	995	-18
53 Fraser-Fort George								
Total - All accommodation types	**3,460**	**11,808**	**21.2**	**9.6**	**50**	**-3**	**2,553**	**-8**
Total - Hotels	2,696	9,043	25.3	12.9	19	0	1,514	40
Motels	703	2,344	9.7	0.0	26	-2	933	-39

Table 3: Room Revenue by Regional District, Unadjusted

Development Region/ Regional District	Revenue ($000)		% change from		Properties (#)	# chg from	Rooms (#)	# chg from
	Apr-08	YTD 08	Apr-07	YTD 07	Apr-08	Apr-07	Apr-08	Apr-07
North Coast								
47 Skeena-Queen Charlotte								
Total - All accommodation types	**596**	**2,361**	**-2.5**	**2.9**	**31**	**-1**	**981**	**-8**
Total - Hotels	375	1,538	-8.4	-1.8	11	0	572	-7
Motels	165	657	3.8	10.2	10	10	323	-5
49 Kitimat-Stikine								
Total - All accommodation types	**815**	**3,156**	**12.2**	**19.1**	**32**	**-1**	**814**	**-11**
Motels	341	1,238	15.7	15.4	18	0	420	-10
Nechako								
51 Bulkley-Nechako +								
57 Stikine								
Total - All accommodation types	**673**	**2,656**	**-0.0**	**-1.4**	**40**	**-1**	**1,037**	**-71**
Motels	374	1,513	-3.6	-0.0	21	-3	601	-86
Northeast								
55 Peace River +								
59 Northern Rockies								
Total - All accommodation types	**5,766**	**24,568**	**20.8**	**2.3**	**68**	**3**	**3,608**	**306**

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Table 4: Room Revenue by Urban Centre, Unadjusted

Development Region/ Urban Centre	Revenue ($000)		% change from		Properties (#)	# chg from	Rooms (#)	# chg from
	Apr-08	YTD 08	Apr-07	YTD 07	Apr-08	Apr-07	Apr-08	Apr-07
Vancouver Island/Coast	**22,467**	**74,143**	**-6.3**	**-1.8**	**419**	**-1**	**15,676**	**260**
Victoria (C)	10,873	32,586	-6.8	-5.5	77	-5	5,656	-186
Saanich Peninsula	835	2,740	13.6	17.1	13	1	400	55
Other CRD	1,512	4,719	-5.3	-1.7	65	1	2,025	38
Nanaimo (C)	1,919	7,133	2.9	1.6	23	1	1,234	4
Port Alberni (C)	291	1,113	-19.7	-8.4	12	0	366	14
Comox Valley	866	4,114	-27.3	1.4	13	1	471	5
Rest of Development Region	6,171	21,738	-5.9	0.6	216	0	5,524	330
Mainland/Southwest	**74,475**	**335,480**	**2.5**	**6.2**	**387**	**-15**	**33,837**	**-1,971**
Downtown Vancouver (C)	35,515	121,905	13.3	8.7	75	-2	12,298	-159
Other Vancouver (C)	2,903	13,063	-2.5	3.6	32	0	2,870	0
Richmond (C)	9,924	39,211	14.9	9.5	23	-1	4,079	-25
Burnaby (C)	-	-	-	-	9	-1	1,290	-31
Other GVRD	7,426	27,276	9.7	8.9	76	-4	4,795	-120
Whistler (DM)	11,929	106,355	-27.1	0.8	58	-8	4,992	-1,612
Rest of Development Region	-	-	-	-	114	1	3,513	-24
Thompson/Okanagan	**16,696**	**77,536**	**-0.3**	**1.9**	**390**	**-27**	**16,134**	**-716**
Penticton (C)	1,584	4,944	-1.0	6.9	34	-1	1,485	-12
Kamloops (C)	3,748	17,596	6.7	-0.2	60	-5	3,679	52
Kelowna (C)	5,053	22,849	2.4	0.9	43	-6	3,141	-242
Vernon (C)	1,170	8,731	-16.5	2.4	31	-3	1,424	-218
Revelstoke (C)	1,155	6,601	12.7	26.6	26	-1	1,001	-22
Golden (T)	503	4,148	-18.0	-11.7	27	-2	948	-148
Rest of Development Region	3,483	12,667	-4.8	-0.9	169	-9	4,456	-126
Kootenay	**5,129**	**30,552**	**-4.5**	**2.0**	**198**	**-13**	**6,610**	**-231**
Cranbrook (C)	862	2,967	28.6	13.6	19	0	917	0
Fernie (C)	522	8,265	-14.0	-2.7	21	-2	962	-78
Nelson (C)	591	2,311	1.2	-1.3	14	-1	478	-45
Rest of Development Region	3,154	17,009	-10.1	2.9	144	-10	4,253	-108
Cariboo	**4,709**	**16,434**	**11.6**	**8.8**	**106**	**-4**	**4,248**	**21**
Quesnel (C)	254	947	-32.2	-3.7	12	0	443	0
Williams Lake (C)	444	1,627	-9.0	8.5	11	0	536	0
Prince George (C)	2,964	9,351	31.5	16.2	27	-1	1,786	20
Rest of Development Region	1,047	4,509	-5.2	-1.4	56	-3	1,483	1
North Coast	**1,411**	**5,517**	**5.5**	**11.6**	**63**	**-2**	**1,795**	**-19**
Prince Rupert (C)	473	2,011	-8.2	4.0	17	0	785	1
Terrace (C)	514	1,943	5.4	18.4	12	1	410	8
Rest of Development Region	424	1,562	26.8	14.1	34	-3	600	-28
Nechako	**673**	**2,656**	**-0.0**	**-1.4**	**40**	**-1**	**1,037**	**-71**
Smithers (T)	398	1,487	8.9	8.6	14	2	432	15
Rest of Development Region	276	1,169	-10.6	-11.8	26	-3	605	-86
Northeast	**5,766**	**24,568**	**20.8**	**2**	**68**	**3**	**3,608**	**306**
Dawson Creek (C)	1,478	5,404	140.0	46.2	17	2	734	125
Fort St. John (C)	1,554	7,340	-1.4	-26.1	14	-2	981	-65
Rest of Development Region	2,734	11,824	6.0	13.9	37	3	1,893	246

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Table 5: Historical Room Revenue by Development Region ($000), Unadjusted

Period	Vancouver Island/Coast	Mainland Southwest	Thompson Okanagan	Kootenay	Cariboo	North Coast	Nechako	Northeast	Total
				Annual data					
2003	273,067	809,809	214,550	70,671	43,018	19,362	8,930	46,264	1,485,670
2004	295,246	863,430	231,041	75,467	46,201	20,104	8,811	50,656	1,590,956
2005	310,195	902,633	251,869	77,314	52,172	20,773	10,152	63,236	1,688,343
2006	324,624	970,884	273,102	85,171	56,610	21,928	10,478	72,514	1,815,312
2007	351,536	1,043,209	306,729	97,163	61,109	28,301	12,406	67,468	1,967,921
				Annual growth rates					
2003	1.6	-4.8	3.7	0.6	-3.4	1.8	1.0	22.0	-1.4
2004	8.1	6.6	7.7	6.8	7.4	3.8	-1.3	9.5	7.1
2005	5.1	4.5	9.0	2.4	12.9	3.3	15.2	24.8	6.1
2006	4.7	7.6	8.4	10.2	8.5	5.6	3.2	14.7	7.5
2007	8.3	7.4	12.3	14.1	7.9	29.1	18.4	-7.0	8.4
				Monthly data					
Apr-07	23,977	72,648	16,744	5,371	4,220	1,338	673	4,772	129,744
May-07	31,724	86,526	24,389	6,451	5,532	2,112	1,066	4,009	161,809
Jun-07	38,098	102,831	30,744	7,983	6,001	4,190	1,236	5,588	196,670
Jul-07	51,836	109,822	45,392	12,384	7,056	4,767	1,416	6,232	238,906
Aug-07	56,374	119,440	52,139	13,678	7,423	4,822	1,581	6,401	261,858
Sep-07	41,871	99,275	30,601	9,496	6,537	3,374	1,577	5,860	198,591
Oct-07	24,339	73,445	18,028	6,003	5,469	1,724	1,357	5,513	135,878
Nov-07	16,492	57,820	12,266	4,157	4,198	1,369	852	5,136	102,290
Dec-07	15,294	78,126	17,068	7,045	3,787	997	627	4,718	127,662
Jan-08	13,618	79,848	19,103	7,051	3,502	998	565	5,056	129,742
Feb-08	16,473	87,788	19,196	9,809	3,650	1,535	621	6,415	145,488
Mar-08	21,585	93,369	22,541	8,563	4,573	1,571	797	7,331	160,329
Apr-08	22,467	74,475	16,696	5,129	4,709	1,411	673	5,766	131,327
				Year-over-year percent changes					
Apr-07	9.9	11.3	10.4	6.8	0.1	29.3	23.2	-7.8	9.7
May-07	9.4	4.6	13.0	12.5	9.6	19.6	32.0	-13.0	7.0
Jun-07	8.6	3.6	17.0	19.6	6.6	35.3	11.8	-10.1	7.3
Jul-07	11.1	-1.2	9.8	13.2	2.1	32.4	16.0	-10.6	4.4
Aug-07	6.7	7.6	11.5	13.3	7.6	41.0	23.1	-6.7	8.6
Sep-07	9.6	6.1	8.9	11.8	4.1	26.4	19.4	-12.6	7.1
Oct-07	5.3	7.9	5.0	16.4	13.2	23.9	21.6	-6.0	7.3
Nov-07	6.0	3.9	13.0	28.8	15.8	17.3	17.9	-13.5	5.7
Dec-07	1.2	11.3	9.6	13.1	16.4	17.1	13.5	3.4	9.8
Jan-08	2.9	9.8	5.6	1.3	11.2	15.9	-3.9	-11.3	6.9
Feb-08	2.2	9.5	1.8	10.5	8.3	25.2	3.5	5.6	7.5
Mar-08	-2.6	3.3	0.6	-2.2	4.7	3.4	-4.3	-1.7	1.6
Apr-08	-6.3	2.5	-0.3	-4.5	11.6	5.5	0.0	20.8	1.2

April year-over-year percent change

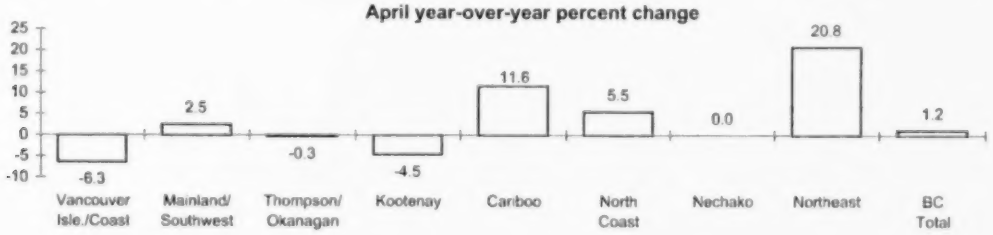

Table 6: Traveller Entries to Canada via BC (000s), Seasonally Adjusted

Period	Total	USA			Overseas			
		Total	Same-day	Overnight	Total	Asia	Europe	Other*
Annual data								
2003	7,335	6,137	2,581	3,557	1,198	578	410	210
2004	7,448	6,039	2,478	3,562	1,409	716	458	235
2005	7,225	5,751	2,314	3,436	1,474	724	494	257
2006	6,846	5,380	1,945	3,435	1,466	717	493	257
2007	6,577	5,062	1,767	3,295	1,515	699	519	297
Annual percent changes								
2003	-8.0	-7.0	-8.1	-6.1	-12.9	-24.4	-0.4	5.6
2004	1.5	-1.6	-4.0	0.1	17.6	23.9	11.7	11.6
2005	-3.0	-4.8	-6.6	-3.5	4.6	1.1	7.8	9.3
2006	-5.2	-6.5	-16.0	0.0	-0.5	-0.9	-0.2	0.0
2007	-3.9	-5.9	-9.1	-4.1	3.3	-2.5	5.3	15.6
Monthly data								
May-07	566	439	153	286	127	58	43	26
Jun-07	556	428	148	280	128	58	45	25
Jul-07	520	393	143	250	127	59	44	24
Aug-07	542	415	147	268	127	59	44	24
Sep-07	543	415	144	271	128	59	45	24
Oct-07	537	417	139	278	120	54	41	26
Nov-07	539	413	139	274	126	58	41	28
Dec-07	528	400	133	267	129	57	43	28
Jan-08	537	407	138	270	129	57	43	29
Feb-08	532	402	133	269	129	59	42	28
Mar-08	519	396	130	266	123	56	43	23
Apr-08	518	393	135	258	125	53	44	28
May-08	522	392	129	263	130	60	44	27
Month-over-month growth rates								
May-07	2.1	2.1	-2.8	4.9	2.0	-1.5	3.1	8.9
Jun-07	-1.7	-2.4	-2.9	-2.2	0.8	-0.1	4.1	-2.8
Jul-07	-6.5	-8.3	-3.6	-10.8	-0.6	2.1	-1.4	-5.3
Aug-07	4.2	5.7	2.8	7.3	-0.2	-0.9	-0.4	1.8
Sep-07	0.1	0.0	-1.9	1.0	0.4	-0.2	1.2	0.3
Oct-07	-1.0	0.5	-3.9	2.8	-5.6	-8.9	-7.2	5.5
Nov-07	0.2	-1.1	0.2	-1.7	4.8	7.9	-2.2	9.7
Dec-07	-1.9	-3.1	-4.6	-2.3	1.9	-0.4	6.5	-0.2
Jan-08	1.5	1.9	3.9	0.9	0.4	-1.1	0.7	3.2
Feb-08	-0.9	-1.3	-3.5	-0.2	0.2	3.0	-2.5	-1.3
Mar-08	-2.5	-1.6	-2.4	-1.2	-5.1	-4.0	2.1	-18.0
Apr-08	-0.1	-0.7	3.9	-2.9	2.0	-5.0	0.7	21.1
May-08	0.7	-0.4	-4.3	1.7	3.9	12.2	-0.1	-5.6

* Oceania (Australia, New Zealand, and other South Pacific nations), North & South America (excluding US), and Africa

Source: Statistics Canada.

Table 7: Transportation Indicators, Seasonally Adjusted

Period	Air Passenger Traffic (000s)					Other Transportation (000s)		
	Vancouver				Victoria	BC Ferries		Coquihalla Hwy
	Total	Domestic	Trans-border	Other Int'l.	Total	Vehicles	Passengers	Passenger Vehicles
Annual data								
2003	14,322	7,267	3,814	3,241	1,183	8,263	21,348	2,467
2004	15,725	7,986	3,964	3,775	1,250	8,532	21,955	2,572
2005	16,419	8,348	4,106	3,965	1,318	8,539	21,791	2,620
2006	16,924	8,712	4,252	3,959	1,390	8,530	21,689	2,583
2007	17,495	9,017	4,361	4,117	1,482	8,559	21,690	2,712
Annual growth rates								
2003	-3.7	-2.1	-1.1	-10.0	7.3	-0.1	-0.9	-2.0
2004	9.8	9.9	3.9	16.5	5.7	3.3	2.8	4.3
2005	4.4	4.5	3.6	5.0	5.5	0.1	-0.7	1.9
2006	3.1	4.4	3.6	-0.1	5.4	-0.1	-0.5	-1.4
2007	3.4	3.5	2.6	4.0	6.6	0.3	0.0	5.0
Monthly data								
May-07	1,440	747	355	338	124	713	1,802	222
Jun-07	1,446	748	358	340	121	720	1,818	227
Jul-07	1,435	739	347	349	124	717	1,803	223
Aug-07	1,453	751	356	346	125	714	1,797	231
Sep-07	1,466	761	360	345	125	719	1,809	225
Oct-07	1,465	765	364	336	127	709	1,787	227
Nov-07	1,536	786	385	365	128	718	1,823	247
Dec-07	1,509	761	382	366	125	700	1,805	219
Jan-08	1,551	794	382	375	126	703	1,785	225
Feb-08	1,567	797	396	374	128	703	1,787	158
Mar-08	1,558	801	382	375	124	706	1,791	218
Apr-08	1,549	807	375	367	129	702	1,776	214
May-08	1,541	803	376	361	128	712	1,804	219
Month-over-month growth rates								
May-07	-1.3	-2.0	-2.3	1.6	1.6	0.9	0.0	-1.2
Jun-07	0.4	0.1	0.8	0.7	-2.5	1.0	0.9	2.5
Jul-07	-0.8	-1.2	-3.1	2.4	2.3	-0.3	-0.8	-1.8
Aug-07	1.3	1.7	2.7	-0.8	0.7	-0.4	-0.3	3.4
Sep-07	0.9	1.3	1.1	-0.2	-0.1	0.7	0.7	-2.2
Oct-07	0.0	0.6	1.1	-2.6	1.7	-1.5	-1.3	0.6
Nov-07	4.8	2.7	5.7	8.6	0.8	1.3	2.0	9.1
Dec-07	-1.8	-3.2	-0.8	0.3	-2.3	-2.5	-1.0	-11.4
Jan-08	2.8	4.3	0.1	2.4	1.1	0.4	-1.1	2.5
Feb-08	1.1	0.4	3.6	-0.2	1.0	0.0	0.1	-29.5
Mar-08	-0.6	0.4	-3.3	0.2	-2.7	0.5	0.2	37.7
Apr-08	-0.6	0.8	-1.9	-2.0	3.6	-0.6	-0.8	-1.7
May-08	-0.5	-0.4	0.3	-1.7	-0.5	1.4	1.6	2.2

Source: Vancouver Airport Authority, Victoria Airport Authority, BC Ferries and Ministry of Transportation data.

Table 8: Tourism Sector Indicators, Seasonally adjusted

Period	Employment in key industries in tourism sector[1] ('000)				Hotel Industry[2]		Consumer Price Index[1]	
	Air transport[4]	Accom-modation	Food & beverage services	Arts, entertainment & recreation	Occupancy Rate (%)[3]	Room Rate ($)	Traveller accom-modation	Restaurant meals[4]
Annual data								
1995	13.5	27.6	99.9	30.0	67.7	91.95	99.3	85.9
1996	12.9	31.2	100.9	29.9	68.2	99.91	102.4	87.3
1997	14.4	30.5	106.8	29.5	66.1	106.04	102.6	89.0
1998	15.9	29.4	109.6	27.3	61.8	108.61	104.8	90.8
1999	15.3	29.2	110.1	24.7	61.7	112.04	107.2	92.2
2000	14.8	28.2	116.7	26.5	60.0	114.03	112.3	93.8
2001	16.5	31.3	118.2	29.6	59.3	116.1	107.4	96.7
2002	14.7	31.6	120.0	30.0	58.9	117.0	100.0	100.0
2003	15.4	31.5	124.0	30.9	58.3	113.7	90.1	101.8
2004	15.5	31.5	125.8	33.1	61.3	115.7	82.5	103.6
2005	15.8	32.9	128.8	33.2	63.9	116.3	80.1	106.7
2006	16.4	35.2	135.1	35.5	65.7	121.9	77.5	109.3
2007	16.7	35.8	141.1	36.5	66.9	128.4	81.1	112.2
Annual Growth Rates								
2003	5.3	-0.4	3.3	3.0	-0.6	-2.8	-9.9	1.8
2004	0.4	0.1	1.5	7.1	3.0	1.8	-8.4	1.8
2005	1.9	4.5	2.4	0.5	2.6	0.5	-3.0	2.9
2006	3.7	6.9	4.9	6.8	1.8	4.8	-3.2	2.5
2007	1.9	1.6	4.5	2.8	1.2	5.3	4.7	2.6
Monthly data								
May-07	16.6	35.6	140.4	37.0	66.9	127.40	81.3	111.2
Jun-07	16.8	35.6	141.8	36.6	66.8	127.50	79.1	111.8
Jul-07	16.9	35.5	141.1	36.5	66.1	128.00	81.1	113.1
Aug-07	16.6	35.4	141.5	36.5	66.3	128.90	81.4	113.2
Sep-07	16.5	35.9	142.4	36.6	67.1	130.00	80.9	113.2
Oct-07	16.5	35.9	142.8	36.7	68.2	131.70	81.4	113.1
Nov-07	16.6	37.5	142.8	36.4	67.7	131.60	82.6	113.0
Dec-07	16.6	36.8	142.8	36.2	66.5	132.10	82.8	112.8
Jan-08	16.5	37.2	144.4	36.1	67.4	133.00	82.8	112.3
Feb-08	16.5	36.0	145.4	36.3	66.1	133.70	82.2	113.3
Mar-08	16.0	36.9	145.0	36.1	66.1	134.90	82.8	113.8
Apr-08	16.7	38.0	146.3	35.0	65.3	134.80	83.5	114.2
May-08	16.8	36.1	146.3	35.1	65.4	135.40	82.8	114.6
Month-over-month growth rates								
May-07	-0.5	0.2	0.3	1.6	-0.1	0.2	0.7	0.2
Jun-07	1.0	0.1	1.0	-1.1	-0.1	0.1	-2.7	0.5
Jul-07	0.7	-0.1	-0.4	-0.2	-0.7	0.4	2.5	1.2
Aug-07	-1.7	-0.4	0.2	-0.1	0.2	0.7	0.4	0.1
Sep-07	-0.5	1.5	0.6	0.2	0.8	0.9	-0.6	0.0
Oct-07	-0.1	0.0	0.3	0.5	1.1	1.3	0.6	-0.1
Nov-07	0.4	4.4	0.0	-0.9	-0.5	-0.1	1.5	-0.1
Dec-07	0.0	-1.9	0.0	-0.6	-1.2	0.4	0.2	-0.2
Jan-08	-0.3	1.2	1.1	-0.3	0.9	0.7	0.0	-0.4
Feb-08	-0.2	-3.2	0.7	0.5	-1.3	0.5	-0.7	0.9
Mar-08	-2.9	2.3	-0.3	-0.5	0.0	0.9	0.7	0.4
Apr-08	4.0	3.0	0.9	-3.0	-0.8	-0.1	0.8	0.4
May-08	1.0	-4.9	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.4	-0.8	0.4

[1]Source: Statistics Canada (Employment data from Survey of Employment Payroll & Hours) and BC Stats.
[2]Source: Pannell Kerr Forster and BC Stats.
[3]Occupancy Rate change expressed as percentage point change.
[4] No identifiable seasonality.

Table 9: Food Services Receipts, Seasonally Adjusted

Period	Food Services and Drinking Places[1] Receipts ($ million)					
	BC[2]			Canada		
	Total	Drinking places	Food Services	Total	Drinking places	Food Services
Annual data						
2003	6,318	568	5,750	38,570	2,517	36,053
2004	6,687	604	6,083	40,409	2,595	37,814
2005	6,889	554	6,334	41,818	2,577	39,240
2006	7,371	436	6,893	44,218	2,465	41,754
2007	7,607	482	7,073	45,560	2,379	43,180
Annual growth rates						
2003	4.1	7.2	6.1	1.4	0.6	1.5
2004	5.8	6.4	5.8	4.8	3.1	4.9
2005	3.0	-8.2	4.1	3.5	-0.7	3.8
2006	7.0	-21.3	8.8	5.7	-4.4	6.4
2007	3.2	10.6	2.6	3.0	-3.5	3.4
Monthly data						
May-07	630	36	593	3,765	200	3,565
Jun-07	625	39	582	3,774	201	3,573
Jul-07	618	x	x	3,778	203	3,575
Aug-07	631	x	x	3,771	203	3,568
Sep-07	635	x	x	3,857	199	3,658
Oct-07	647	x	x	3,887	194	3,693
Nov-07	645	x	x	3,856	191	3,664
Dec-07	635	x	x	3,838	192	3,646
Jan-08	652	x	x	3,918	191	3,727
Feb-08	659	x	x	3,928	193	3,735
Mar-08	640	x	x	3,887	193	3,694
Apr-08	654	44	610	3,979	197	3,782
May-08	662	45	613	4,002	198	3,804
Month-over-month growth rates						
May-07	1.1	3.7	1.0	1.1	0.4	1.2
Jun-07	-0.8	6.0	-1.8	0.2	0.4	0.2
Jul-07	-1.0	x	x	0.1	1.1	0.1
Aug-07	2.1	x	x	-0.2	-0.1	-0.2
Sep-07	0.7	x	x	2.3	-2.0	2.5
Oct-07	1.8	x	x	0.8	-2.3	0.9
Nov-07	-0.2	x	x	-0.8	-1.6	-0.8
Dec-07	-1.7	x	x	-0.4	0.4	-0.5
Jan-08	2.8	x	x	2.1	-0.5	2.2
Feb-08	1.0	x	x	0.3	1.1	0.2
Mar-08	-2.9	x	x	-1.1	-0.1	-1.1
Apr-08	2.2	x	x	2.4	2.3	2.4
May-08	1.2	2.4	0.5	0.6	0.1	0.6

[1]Source: Statistics Canada & BC Stats.

[2]Seasonally adjusted totals are calculated by Statistics Canada; Food Services and Drinking Places receipts are BC Stats estimates and may not sum exactly to provincial totals.

x = Data currently not available